

BILL NO. 80-40

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COUNTY COUNCIL
OF
HARFORD COUNTY, MARYLAND

BILL NO. 80-40

Introduced by Council President Hardwicke at request of County Executive

Legislative Day No. 80-18

Date June 17, 1980

AN EMERGENCY ACT to propose an amendment to Article II of the Charter of Harford County, Maryland, entitled, Legislative Branch, by repealing and re-enacting Section 204 thereof, titled, Election of Councilmen; to delete the requirement that each of the members of the Council required to reside in the Councilmanic districts shall be nominated and elected by qualified voters of the Councilmanic districts in which they reside, after such action is permitted by the Constitution of the State; and to further provide for the submission of this amendment to the legally qualified voters of Harford County for their adoption or rejection in accordance with Section 905 of the Charter of Harford County, Maryland.

By the Council, June 17, 1980

Introduced, read first time, ordered posted and public hearing scheduled

on: July 15, 1980

at: 6:30 p.m.

By Order: Angela M. Markowski, Secretary

PUBLIC HEARING

Having been posted and notice of time and place of hearing and title of Bill having been published according to the Charter a public hearing was held on July 15, 1980 and concluded on July 15, 1980.

Angela M. Markowski, Secretary

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1 Section 1. *Be It Enacted By The County Council Of Harford County,*
2 *Maryland,* that Article II, Section 204 of the Charter of Harford
3 County, Maryland, titled, Legislative Branch, subtitled, Election
4 of Councilmen, be, and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted with
5 amendments, all to read as follows:

6 Section 204. Election of Councilmen.

7 [(a)] All Councilmen shall be nominated and elected by the
8 qualified voters of the entire County at the same time as State
9 officers and in the manner provided by law. Six Councilmen, at
10 the time of their election, shall each reside in a different one
11 of six Councilmanic districts of the County. The seventh member
12 of the Council shall be the President of the Council and may
13 reside anywhere in the County.

14 [(b) In all Councilmanic elections, after such action is
15 permitted by the Constitution of the State, each of the six
16 members of the Council required to reside in Councilmanic districts
17 shall be nominated and elected by the qualified voters of the
18 Councilmanic district in which he resides.]

19 Section 2. *And Be It Further Enacted,* that before this Act
20 becomes effective, it shall first be submitted to a Referendum
21 of the legally qualified voters of Harford County in accordance
22 with Section 905 of the Charter of Harford County, Maryland, at
23 the General Election to be held in November of 1980. There shall
24 be printed on the ballots or ballot labels to be used at this
25 election the title of this Act, and underneath the title, on
26 separate lines, a square or box to the right of and opposite the
27 words, "For _____", and a corresponding square or box to the
28 right of and opposite the words, "Against _____", so that each
29 voter of the County may designate his or her decision for or
30 against the provisions of this Act. If a majority of the votes
31 cast in the election are "For _____", the provisions of this Act
32 shall become effective from and after the thirtieth (30th) day

1 following the election, but if a majority of the votes cast in the
2 election are "Against _____", the provisions of this Act shall be
3 of no effect and null and void.

4 Section 3. *And Be It Further Enacted*, that subject to the
5 provisions of Section 2 herein and for the sole purpose of
6 providing for the Referendum therein required, this Act shall take
7 effect on the date it becomes law.

8 EFFECTIVE: Subject to the provisions of this Bill,
9 December 5, 1980

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14 The Secretary of the Council does hereby
15 certify that fifteen (15) copies of this bill
16 are immediately available for distribution to
the public and the press.

17 *Angela Markowski*
18 Secretary

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BY THE COUNCIL

Read the third time.

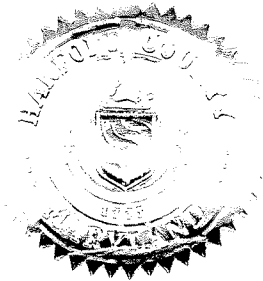
Passed LSD 80-23 (August 12, 1980) XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX

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By order

Angela Markowski, Secretary

Sealed with the County Seal and presented to the County Executive
for his approval this 13th day of August, 1980
at 3:00 o'clock P.M.

Angela Markowski, Secretary

BY THE EXECUTIVE

APPROVED:

Thomas W. P. P. P.
County ExecutiveDate August 14, 1980

BY THE COUNCIL

This Bill, having been approved by the Executive and
returned to the Council, becomes law on August 14, 1980,
for the purpose of providing for Referendum therein required
and subject to the provisions of Section 2 and Section 3 of
the Bill.

Angela Markowski
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Secretary of the Council

This Act, having been approved by a majority of the voters of
Harford County, voting on the amendment (Question A) to the Charter
of Harford County, Maryland, in General Election on November 4, 1980,
stands effective December 5, 1980.

Angela Markowski
Secretary of the Council